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1. Teplotechna National Corporation, with main offices in Praha, has branch concerns in Karlovy Vary (Karlsbad), Teplice-Sanov, Hradec Kralove, Domazlice (Taus - N50/P70), Brno, Moravska Ostrava, and Olomouc.* The concern builds factory chimneys and industrial furnaces; the Olomouc branch builds central heating plants.
2. The Olomouc branch is building a central heating plant for the town of Olomouc. Work was begun in the spring of 1950 and heating pipe lines have been laid in parts of the town. It is intended that during the summer months the steam will be used to increase the output of electric power plants in the vicinity. A central heating plant is also being built in Prerov (P50/O03) while in Brno a new chimney, 120 m. high, has been erected for the central heating plant there.
3. The Moravska Ostrava branch cooperated in the building of a model IV blast furnace in Trinec (Q50/O87) which was put into operation in January 1949. The following spring an explosion occurred in the furnace and the chimney collapsed. This damage has since been repaired. A new blast furnace is to be begun in the fall of 1950 in Trinec. It will have a capacity of 900 tons in one charge, making it the largest blast furnace in Central Europe. Teplotechna will build in Trinec a chimney 90 m. high for two new gas-fired open hearth furnaces each of which will have a capacity of 90 tons. Construction of a new coke plant (koksovna) was begun in Trinec in April 1950. It will contain 24 chambers.
4. The Moravska Ostrava branch is relining the blast furnaces at the Vitkovice Iron Works (Witkowitz - P50/O58). The first furnace was put back into operation on 22 May 1950. Since relining takes about three months, the Iron Works will be one furnace short for the rest of the year. It is expected that Teplotechna will begin construction of new coke plants in Vitkovice and Kuncice (P51/N29) as soon as work is completed on the coke plant in Trinec.
5. Teplotechna in Praha is working on a new blast furnace being built for the Konev Iron Works in Kladno, and on a new revolving electric furnace for alloy steels in Kraluv Dvur (Königinhof - O51/G73) which will consist of two batteries of four furnaces, each 4 m. in diameter and 3.5 m. deep. In Hradec (N50/L24) six gas-fired pre-heating furnaces are being built for the

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rolling mills of the United Steel Works (Spojene occlarny, n.p.). A new steel plant is being built on the site of the old gas works at the Skoda Plant in Plzen. Nine open hearth furnaces are to be moved to this plant, and an iron ore warehouse is to be built. A new factory, known as Gigant, is being built for Skoda in Plzen-Doudlevice. The Praha plant of Teplotechna is also aiding in the enlarging of the Zbuz (N50/P93) electric power plant which, according to the Five Year Plan, is to deliver electric current to all industrial plants in western Bohemia.**

25X1 [] Comment: Teplotechna is a subsidiary of the Ceskoslovenske Stavebni Zavody, n.p. (Czechoslovak National Building Enterprises).

25X1 [] Comment: The individual power plants in western Bohemia will be abolished and they will receive power only from the Zbuz plant.

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